

1 proposed when two-thirds of both Houses were present.

2 DR. BARD: Congress, whenever two-thirds of
3 both Houses, not those present.

4 DR. WINSLOW: That has been interpreted, sir, I
5 think as two-thirds of those present. I know of no case
6 in which there is two-thirds of all the Members required
7 of the National Assembly.

8 MR. CLAGETT: What would be the arithmetic,
9 what would be two-thirds of the House and Senate?

10 THE CHAIRMAN: You mean as of the next session?

11 MR. CLAGETT: Yes, sir.

12 DR. BARD: Two-thirds would be 96, as I got
13 the figure.

14 THE CHAIRMAN: Of what?

15 DR. BARD: Of 142, the House and three-fifths
16 would be 87, a difference of seven votes. In the Senate,
17 it would be 27 under the three-fifths rule, and 30 under
18 the two-thirds rule.

19 THE CHAIRMAN: Of course, this means, and to
20 use your illustration, 96 votes of those present would
21 mean that any absences by illness or any other reason